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## Banks.

### NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.  
2.—Sum less than \$1, or more than \$260 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.  
3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent, per annum interest.  
4.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent, per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.  
5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.  
6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank, if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.  
7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the  
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,  
T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 1, 1888. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$7,500,000  
RESERVE FUND, \$3,000,000  
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PHOTOGRAPHS, \$7,500,000

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On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent, per annum on the daily balance.

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" 12 " 5 per cent. "

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T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 25, 1888. 363

## Intimations.

WANTED.—A SITUATION, as BOOK-KEEPER, CORRESPONDENT, or MERCHANT ASSISTANT, in Hongkong or any of the Coast Ports. The applicant has a thorough knowledge of business, and is conversant with English, French, and German.—References given, if required.—Apply A. B. C., care of Office of this Paper.

Hongkong, August 16, 1888. 1363

## NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Under-signed is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,

Secretary.

Hongkong, August 25, 1888. 1469

## Intimations.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the Twenty-fifth day of August, at Twelve o'clock, Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1888.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, July 27, 1888. 1248

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from the 11th (SATURDAY) to the 25th day of August next (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, July 27, 1888. 1249

THE ADVERTISER is desirous of meeting with a Married Lady who would accompany his Two DAUGHTERS to England by English Mail Steamer early next month. As his daughters are grown up, they would require no personal attendance other than that of the Stewardess; and a friendly supervision only would be necessary.—For Particulars, address 'X. Y. Z.', care of Office of this Paper.

Hongkong, August 20, 1888. 1380

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KALYDOR whets the teeth, preserves the face and hands of all exposed parts, and removes wrinkles, freckles, sunburn, &c., and produces a beautiful and delicate complexion.

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MACASSAR OIL recovered from the shells of the Macassar Oyster. Price 10/- per tube.

WALKING STICKS, a very large assortment.

WATERPROOF COATS, LEGGINGS and CHAIR APRONS.

TRAVELLING RUGS & SCOTCH MANTS.

OVER COATINGS, light and heavy.

READY-MADE ULSTERS IN STOCK.

Hongkong, February 21, 1888. 285

Wholesale and Retail Agents for China: A. S. WATSON & CO., Shanghai. 964

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the Company, No. 14, Praya Central, on MONDAY, the 27th Instant, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1888. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 27th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

D. GILLIES,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1888. 1284

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SCRIP of 22 SHARES in the CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED, Numbered 104/1065 and Registered in the name of MR. ANTONO Oronzo, is MISSING. And, Notice is also given that unless the said SCRIP be produced and proof of ownership lodged with the Under-signed by the 15th September, 1888, NEW SCRIP will be issued for the said Shares of the said ANTONO Oronzo.

Dated Hongkong, 14th August, 1888.

RUSSELL & CO.,

1354 General Managers.

Hongkong, September 1, 1888. 1284

NOTICE.

THE Twenty-Second Ordinary MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 3rd Proximo, at 4 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors, and Statement of Accounts to 30th April last, and of declaring Dividends.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st Inst. to the 3rd Proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,

A. S. GARFIT,  
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, August 11, 1888. 1340

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st Inst. to the 3rd Proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,

A. S. GARFIT,  
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, August 11, 1888. 1340

NOTICE.

THE Public are respectfully informed that the PEAK TRAMWAY was OPENED for PUBLIC TRAFFIC on WEDNESDAY, 30th May.

WEEK DAYS.

The CARS RUN between St. JOHN'S PLACE and VICTORIA GAP:

8 to 10 a.m. every quarter of an hour.

12 " 2 p.m. " half hour.

4 " 8 " " quarter of an hour.

SUNDAYS.

1 past 12 to ½ past one every quarter of an hour, and from 4 to 6 p.m. every quarter of an hour.

Single Tickets are sold in the Cars; Five-Cent Coupons and Reduced Tickets at the Office of

MACKEN, FRICKEL & CO., General Managers.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, 50 & 52, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 19th August, 1888. 1341

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D. GILLIES,

Secretary.

Hongkong, August 25, 1888. 1469

## Business Notices.

### GARDEN SEEDS.

SEASON 1888.

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**LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.**

HAVE RECEIVED THEIR NEW STOCK OF

VEGETABLE AND FLOWER SEEDS:

SUTTON'S SELECTED ENGLISH SEEDS.

HENDERSON'S TESTED NEW YORK SEEDS.

Orders should be sent in AT ONCE. Detailed Lists sent on application.

SUTTON'S CONCENTRATED MANURE.

BOOKS UPON GARDENING.

GARDEN TOOLS.

GARDEN GLOVES.

ENGLISH-MADE WATERING CANS.

And

LAWN MOWING MACHINES.

**LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.**

Hongkong, August 20, 1888. 1387

**NEW GOODS.**

Hongkong, August 20, 1888. 1387

**ROBT. LANG & CO.**

Hongkong, February 21, 1888. 285

**STAG HOTEL,**

QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

J. COOK, Proprietor.

THE HOTEL IS GENTLY SITUATED AND WITHIN A FEW MINUTES' WALK FROM THE PRINCIPAL LANDINGS.

GOOD ACCOMMODATION FOR VISITORS.

CHARGES MODERATE.

TIFFIN 50 CENTS. DINNER 75 CENTS.

## Intimations.

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LAWRENCE &amp; MAYO'S PERFECT PEBBLES



Are clear, cool, & preserving to the sight.  
MR. LAWRENCE is now in Hongkong  
and may be CONSULTED AT THE  
HONGKONG HOTEL (Room No. 20),  
daily from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

CONSULTATIONS FREE.

SPECTACLES FOR BLINDNESS.

Vision is justly described as the most important of our senses, and its loss is regarded one of the greatest afflictions to which mankind is subject.

It is, therefore, of paramount importance that we should carefully use one sight whilst perfect, and that when unfortunately, the help of Spectacles is fail to be necessary, the utmost care should be taken in the selection of those.

The late eminent Outlier, Dr. Seelberg Wells, testified that he had no hesitation in stating that the heliograph plan of selecting Spectacles—employed by some Opticians—was frequently attended by serious consequences; that eyes were often permanently injured, which might be skilful adaptation of glasses, have been preserved for years.

S. R. Groom, Esq., F.R.C.S.,  
Barrister-at-Law, Singapore,  
writes:—

I have used Glasses for twenty years, and have no hesitation in saying that, those supplied me by you are the best I have ever worn. I wear them with much satisfaction and comfort, and find the frames are especially convenient.

To Messrs. LAWRENCE & Mayo,  
Hotel D'Europe, Singapore.

LAWRENCE & Mayo,  
OPHTHALMIC OPTICIANS,  
(Opticians to the Principal Ophthalmic  
Surgeons in England and India.)  
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3 & 4, Hard Street, CALCUTTA.  
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Hongkong, July 23, 1888.

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FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.

MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG,

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(Formerly ANTHONY APPRENTICE AND LAT-  
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At the urgent request of his European  
and American patients and friends,  
has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occu-  
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No. 2, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Discount to missionaries and families.

Sole Address—

2, DUDDELL STREET,

(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)

Hongkong, January 12, 1888.

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MOORE'S GOGO SHAMPOO  
WASH.THIS WASH HAS PROVED ITSELF TO BE THE  
BEST PREPARATION EVER PRE-  
SENTED TO THE PUBLIC.

THE Basis of this compound is made of Gogo Root. The natives of the Philippine Islands never use anything else for washing their hair; you never see them bald and it is quite common to see the females with hair from 5 to 6 feet long. By using this SHAMPOO WASH all dirt you will never be bald. The Proprietor offers the Wash to the public, being entirely confident that by its restorative properties it will surely arrest decay and completely eradicate scurf, dandruff, and cure all diseases of the scalp; it does not contain any poisonous drugs, but, by its cooling properties, allays the itching and farts of the scalp.

Mr. Moore succeeded in being able to put this Wash up in bottles without allowing it to ferment, and he will guarantee to keep any length of time in any climate.

CAMPBELL, MOORE &amp; Co., Ltd.

Under Houghton Hotel.

Hongkong, May 17, 1888.

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## Intimations.

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co.,  
Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,  
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NAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND  
METEOROLOGICAL  
INSTRUMENTS.

VOIGTLANDER'S CELEBRATED  
BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES.  
PROFOUND LIGHTED AND OTHER COMPASSES.  
ADMIRALTY & IMRAY CHARTS.  
NAUTICAL BOOKS.

English SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATED WARE,  
GLASSWARE & CO. ELECTRO-PLATED WARE,  
GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY  
in great variety.

D I A M O N D S

DIAMOND JEWELLERY.

A Splendid Collection of the Latest London  
PATTERNS, at very moderate prices. 742

Ariago, German steamer, 771, T. A.  
Bruhn, Saigon August 19, General—Chinese.

Bermuda, Italian steamer, 1,490, E. De  
Nogi, Bombay August 5, and Singapore  
18, General—Uarlouwitz & Co.

## DEPARTURES.

August 24:—

Protos, for Sourabaya.

Aston, for Hoichow and Pakhol.

Decima, for Saigon.

Haihong, for Coast Ports.

## Cleared.

Falkenburg, for Saigon.

Hungchow, for Swatow.

Victoria, for Nagasaki.

Chancellor, for Batavia.

Cicer, for Sourabaya.

Glevoy, for Shanghai.

## ARRIVED.

Per Pedavoy, from Shanghai; for Hong-

kong, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Campbell and

their children Messrs. D. Schwab, and E. H. Laty,

and 9 Chinese; for London, Messrs. W. F.

Harris, Withycombe and A. Cladus.

Per Stenot, from Foshan, 18 Chinese.

Per Nameo, from Coast Ports, 2 Chinese

and cabin, and 134 Chinese in deck.

Per Kusager, from Singapore, 222 Chi-

neans.

Per Frey, from Haiphong, 1 European,

and 17 Chinese.

Per Bormida, from Singapore, 187 Chi-

neans.

## DEPARTED.

Per Kutung, for Shanghai, Mr. J. H.

Ningchow, and 100 Chinese.

Per Haiphong, for Swatow, 1 European,

and 100 Chinese.

Per Anton, for Hoichow, 1 European, and

40 Chinese.

Per Decima, for Saigon, 100 Chinese.

## TO DEPART.

Per Pesherow, from Hongkong; for Sin-

apore, Mr. C. Hills, and 4 Chinese; for

Ponang, 1 Chinese; for Sydney, Mr. S. H.

Prull; for London via Marselles, Mrs.

Anton, and Mr. R. H. Pye; for London,

Messrs. Taylor and P. Swords, Quarter-

Master Sergeant, and Mrs. D. Ricketts, 3

children and 1 infant. From Yokohama:

for Colombo, Messrs. Talbot and F. A.

Crawford. From Shanghai; for London,

Messrs. W. F. Harris, Withycombe and A.

Cladus.

Per Falkenburg, for Saigon, 50 Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Namoo reports:

Had light South-westerly winds, smooth sea

and fine weather throughout. Steamer in

Fochow, Mogul, Hashin, Stotor, Glenavon

and Ching. Steamers in Hoichow, Hotham

and Fornosa. Steamers in Swatow, Fokien

and Johans.

The British steamer Glenavon reports:

Had light winds, fine weather and smooth

sea. The Italian steamer Bormida reports:

Had very fine weather from Singapore to

Hongkong.

C. C. Chapman, American ship, High-  
born.—Fustau & Co.

Hever, German steamer, Capt. Detlef-  
sen.—Siemssen & Co.

Lucia, British barque, Captain David  
Wood.—Order.

Port Adelaide, British steamer, F.  
West.—Ademson, Bell & Co.

## SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

August 24, 1888:—

For SHANGHAI.

For Glevoy.

at 9.30 a.m., on Saturday,

the 25th inst.

For BATAVIA.

For Chanceller, at 10.30 a.m., on Saturday,

the 25th inst.

For STRAITS &amp; LONDON.—

For Glenavon, at 10.30 a.m., on Saturday,

the 25th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—

For Delfa, at 1.30 p.m., on Saturday,

the 25th inst.

For AMOY &amp; MANILA.—

For Diamond, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday,

the 25th inst.

For SHANGHAI.—

For Meffo, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 25th inst.

For HAIPHONG.—

Per Rue, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 25th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SWATOW &amp; BANGKOK.—

Per Para Chor Kao, at 9 a.m., on Sunday,

the 26th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY &amp; FOOCHOW.—

Per Namoo, at 8.30 a.m., on Sunday,

the 26th inst.

For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY IS-  
LAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE,  
BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MEL-  
BOURNE & ADELAIDE.—

For Caterpillar, at 11.30 a.m., on Tues-

day, the 28th inst.

For GARDEN SEEDS.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For LOMBARDY.—

Per Lombardy, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday,

the 28th inst., instead of as previous-

ly notified.

For STRAITS &amp; CALCOUFTA.—

Per Japan, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday,

the 28th inst., instead of as previous-

ly notified.

For PORT DARWIN, SYDNEY, AND  
MELBOURNE.—

Per China, at 3.30 p.m., on Tuesday,

the 28th inst.

For STRAITS &amp; CALCOUFTA.—

Per Wingking, at 2.30 p.m., on Thursday,

the 30th inst.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—

The British Contract Packet Peacock will

be despatched on SATURDAY, the

25th Inst., with Mails for the United

Kingdom, Europe, and countries be-

yond, via Bremen; to the Straits Settle-

ment, Netherlands India, Burmah

Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta,

## THE CHINA MAIL.

CAPTAIN Watt, of the British ship *Hilaria*, reports at Yokohama on the 9th inst., that on the 2nd May, at 2° long, 31° S. 10° N., he passed a burning barque about five miles to leeward. Another barque, when this was first sighted, was lying alongside, and just as the *Hilaria* got abreast, the latter barque tacked and went off on the starboard course, probably having taken all the crew of the burning vessel on board were to sign of those either on the ship or in the boats. No flags were flying but Captain Watt is of opinion that the burning vessel was German.

Considering that in Hongkong the several steam-launch companies, who started steamers between the City of Victoria and Kowloon, have proved such excellent well-paying concerns, the happy idea now has been conceived to make some ready cash on the same principle. Now of Hongkong, by starting a regular steam-launch traffic between the Fugoda Creek (variously known as Pig Creek) and Pou-tung; the roadway, Gung-pak, Pou-tung, and the Wong-pan Creek and Pou-tung. The proposition is that the steam-boats should be constructed in such a way that including passengers can ride on board in a jinrikisha on the Shanghai-side, and ride again in a jinrikisha at Pou-tung; provided the city fathers of the Municipal Council on the Pou-tung side of the Whampoa can be negotiated to grant jinrikisha licenses to Shanghai people. No difficulty in this respect is expected, because between the States of New York and New Jersey in America large steam-freighters almost constantly cross the Hudson river, with entire railway trains on board. A meeting of the promoters of the new Company is intended to be called in the new United Shanghai City Hall, when it is ready.—*Shanghai Mercury*.

The *Shanghai Mercury* says:—A Correspondent writing from Chinkiang tells us that some enterprising Chinese proposed to introduce the manufacture of cotton by machinery, but were prevented by the Government who have granted a monopoly to the Shanghai mill now being put up. Our correspondent complains of the injury done to the trade of the port by these restrictions.

To the causes which have been influential in checking the natural progress of Chinkiang we have more than once referred. In the eyes of the Chinese Government trade is only a thing to be fleeced, and manufacturers, as bringing bodies of men together and necessitating the formation of independent deliberative bodies, are things to be crushed out, except in spots like Shanghai where the foreign police force exists to preserve order without interference with private liberty of association. Our correspondent further thinks that in a matter of this sort our Foreign Ministers ought to interfere, and blamed the present representatives for, under the influence of their doyen, proufering to let matters take their own course, and quietly sitting by while in encroachments on treat rights generally were being perpetrated. We are naturally going to defend the action of the Ministers, we ourselves being largely the sufferers by the present condition of affairs, which reduces the personal influence of the Diplomatic Body to a matter of mere seniority; but at the same time we can hardly blame the Diplomatic Body for not interfering to enable the Chinese to undersell their own nationals.

The Government, which in its present impoverished condition, with a ever broken loose in three out of the eighteen provinces, sets itself to spend nearly two millions sowing in the marriage of the Emperor is not likely to trouble itself about the benefit of a few obscure manufacturers. If any one showed it the way to a new squeeze, which would give the Imperial Court another million to spend in an equally useless way, he would doubtless be listened to, even if a Foreign Minister. The cotton mill in Shanghai is, as much as the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company, a Government enterprise, and the profits have a little chance of going into the hands of the shareholders. Already they have been compelled to stand by and see their money squandered by irresponsible direction, and their shares quietly cut down to a third of their value. Conduct, which in other countries would have led to the criminal punishment of the miscreants, is in China passed over as of no account, because they are high officials, appointed not by the shareholders but by a paternal Government. It is not only in Chinkiang but in many other ports that the cold shade of officialdom steps directly to repress energy. Private enterprise is everywhere put down with a high hand but gives nothing in return.

## THE HOLLYWOOD ROAD ARSON CASE.

Li Ayuk, the master of the shop 26 Hollywood Road, which was destroyed on the 18th inst., was charged, before Mr Wadehouse, in the Police Court today, at the instance of the Straits Fire Insurance Company, with being concerned in the alleged incendiarism in connection with the fire.

Mr Stokes, of Messrs Sharp, Johnson and Stokes, who appeared for the prosecution, said this case was really part and parcel of the one which was already before his Worship in which three men were charged with arson.

Mr Wotton, who appeared for the defence, objected to Mr Stokes prosecuting in this case, principally on the same grounds that he had done to his Worship yesterday, and which he would re-state if his Worship thought it necessary.

His Worship said he did not think it necessary.

Mr Wotton said he might mention that the matter had not yet been sent before His Excellency the Governor for his decision, and when his Worship found he had sufficient evidence before him he (Mr Wotton) would ask for the adjournment of this case pending the Governor's decision.

His Worship said this case seemed to him to be on a very different footing from the other one.

Mr Wotton.—In what way, your Worship?

His Worship.—Well, it is a private prosecution, and I don't see that the same objection applies.

Mr Wotton.—It will apply, your Worship, and I naturally supposed that your Worship having given me an opportunity of referring the matter to the authorities in the former case would give me the same opportunity in this case.

His Worship.—In a case of this kind I should be prepared to be guided largely by what the prosecution desired, and the way it was brought before me. This prosecution is started by the agent for the Straits Fire Insurance Company, and he accepts the responsibilities attaching to it. Therefore I shall be largely guided by what the prosecution desires to be done. It is a different case altogether from the other, which is started by the Crown. There are certain liabilities attaching to prosecutions of this kind which might possibly set as a deterrent, and therefore having commenced the prosecution the views of the complainant were entitled to be entertained as far as possible.

I overrule Mr Wotton's objection.

Mr Wotton.—I ask for sufficient time to

get his Excellency's opinion on the point at issue, because the same point is still there, whether Mr Stokes, who is a partner with the Crown Solicitor, has a right to appear in the proceedings in this Court.

His Worship.—I leave that to the prosecutor. I mean to say that if Mr Stokes offers any objection to an adjournment I shall uphold it.

Mr Stokes.—I intend to make this charge part and parcel of the charge against the other three men, and trust the two as one charge. I charge this man with being concerned in, with being privy and party to this arson.

The witness Leung Kan has been in your office since that day?—No.

Can you tell me what were the chief articles in the shop at the time the police was issued by your office?—No; there were so many that I can't tell.

Can you name a few or any of them?—No.

Do you remember there was a large quantity of oil?—No; I don't think so. If there had been a large quantity I would have taken it.

I mean ordinary fish oil?—No; not a large quantity.

For a small shop like that, I mean?—It might be.

Mr Wotton said, until the witness produced his book relating to the insurance of the shop, he could not proceed further with his cross-examination.

Mr Andrew said he would produce the book in a minute.

Leung Ayuk examined by Mr Stokes, said:—The first witness is my son, Leung Kan. I am a tailor in Hollywood Road, three doors off from the scene of the fire which took place on the 19th inst. On the afternoon of that day defendant came to my house. I offered him a cup of tea and he offered me five dollars to give to my son not to go to the Police Court and give evidence. He said "I will give you four or five dollars if you tell your son not to go and give evidence." I said "What my son does I do not know." He said "You are his father, can't you persuade him not to do it?" I said "I can't." Nothing more took place then. My son came in while we were conversing; defendant asked me to send for him. I was going to send for him when he came in. Defendant came back early next morning. It was shortly after six and I was in bed. Defendant called out to me and my wife woke me up and I got up. On coming out of my room I saw defendant. He said "I'll give your son \$20; tell him to go to Canton and from Canton to Macao." I said "I don't care how much you give me, I can't settle my son's business." Defendant then went away. My son was also there; the conversation took place just at the doorway of my room. My son was already there when I went out of my room. Defendant looked sorry, and he said "When the case comes on I don't know whether he or I will win it. He may get into trouble about it. If I win it I may prosecute your son too." Defendant did not come back again.

By Mr Wotton.—On the second occasion that the defendant came to me it was on the morning of the 20th. My son had slept in the house all night. He did not go out that morning until shortly after defendant went away. He went to the staircase with defendant; my son has not a room to himself. He stands near the stairs. My wife and a small boy also share my room. My son has been always working till within the last few days. I don't know that ever my son was ill. I never heard of his being ill in goal either in Macao or Hongkong. My son has never spoken to me about how the fire occurred.

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